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Applicant: NAKAMURA  
Serial No: ~~09/579,646~~  
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For: PIXEL GAIN AMPLIFIER

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned  
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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification:

Page 1, line 2, replace "Application" with --Applications--.

Page 1, line 4, after "June 11, 1999." add This application is related to application serial number 09/579,748 filed May 26, 2000.

Page 4, line 19, after "402" add --or before they reach the ADC 404--.

Page 5, line 13, after "non-linearity" add --and gain mismatch among the gain amplifiers--;

line 14, replace "serves" with --serve--.

Page 6, line 17, replace "'dummy clamp'" with --"black pixel"--.

Page 5, line 3, delete "pixel";

In the Abstract:

Line 2, replace "a main" with --an operational--.

Line <sup>3</sup>4, replace "inputs" with --input--.

Lines 4-5, replace "samples the input during a second time phase" with --receives the signal charge from the input capacitor--.

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